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### **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

#### **List of Sections Forming Part of This Information Disclosure Statement**

The following sections are being submitted for this Information Disclosure Statement:

1. ☒ Preliminary Statements
2. ☒ Forms PTO/SB/08A and 08B (formerly Form PTO-1449)
3. ☒ Identification of Prior Application in Which Listed Information Was Already Cited and for Which No Copies Are Submitted or Need Be Submitted
4. ☐ Copies of Listed Information Items Accompanying this Statement
5. ☒ Identification of Person(s) Making this Information Disclosure Statement

## **Section 1. Preliminary Statements**

Applicants submit herewith patents, publications or other information of which they are aware, which they believe may be material to the examination of this application and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose.

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## **Section 2. Forms PTO/SB/08A and 08B (formerly Form PTO-1449)**

- ☒ [X] A completed Form PTO/SB/08A and/or Form PTO/SB/08B is attached hereto.

## **Section 3. Identification of Prior Application in Which Listed Information Was Already Cited and for Which No Copies Are Submitted or Need Be Submitted**

This application relies, under 35 U.S.C. § 120, on the earlier filing date of prior application Serial No. 10/322,140, filed on December 16, 2002 (date).

*(complete the following, if applicable)*

- ☐ [ ] This application also relies, under 35 U.S.C. 120, on the earlier filing date of prior application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_ (date).

The following references were submitted to, and/or cited by, the Office in the prior application(s) and therefore, are not required to be provided in this application:

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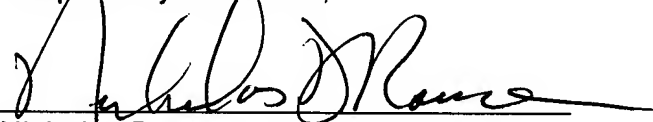
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**FOREIGN PATENT OR PUBLISHED FOREIGN PATENT APPLICATION**

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